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House Resolution

No. 14

Introduced by Assembly Member Melendez

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April 4, 2013

House Resolution No. 14—Relative to the Month of the Military Child.

- 1 WHEREAS, In 1986, Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger
- 2 established the Defense Department’s Month of the Military Child;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, Every April, United States military services and
- 5 communities around the world recognize military children for their
- 6 daily sacrifices and the challenges they must overcome; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Military children often have to adapt their lives to
- 8 the requirements of their parent’s military obligations; and

1 WHEREAS, These children shoulder responsibilities beyond
2 their years and burdens outside of their control, such as repeatedly
3 moving and changing schools, long-term family member
4 separations, and even the loss of a parent; and

5 WHEREAS, Many military children have known only war since
6 September 11, 2001; and

7 WHEREAS, California is home to more than 158,000 military
8 children whose parents serve in the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine
9 Corps, Coast Guard, National Guard, and Reserves; and

10 WHEREAS, California will further its commitment to the brave
11 men and women who serve their country and state by recognizing
12 these children and young American heroes and pledging its
13 gratitude for their sacrifices; now, therefore, be it

14 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
15 Assembly hereby proclaims the month of April 2013 as the Month
16 of the Military Child in California; and be it further

17 *Resolved*, That the Assembly urges all Californians, local and
18 state leaders, private organizations, and businesses to observe the
19 month by showing appreciation to the children and youth of
20 military families for standing by their parents and loved ones who
21 are serving as members of the Armed Forces of the United States;
22 and be it further

23 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
24 of this resolution to each Senator and Representative from
25 California in the Congress of the United States, to the Governor
26 of California, to the Adjutant General of the California National
27 Guard, to the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to
28 the Secretaries of the Armed Forces of the United States, and to
29 the author for appropriate distribution.